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Page 6, line 18, insert:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS OF THE

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INVENTION ---

## In The Abstract

Page 12, line 1, delete the colon (:); and

delete line 3.

## In The Claims

Amend claims 1-11 as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for producing marl slags and marl slag cements, or mixed components for mixed cements, from marl having a basicity  $\text{CaO/SiO}_2$  of < 2.0, wherein:

in a first process step argillaceous marl, or a mixture of marl and clay, having a basicity of < 2.0 is dried, preheated and calcined; and

thereafter, in a second process step, the product obtained in the first process step is melted in a separate melting furnace at a higher temperature than applied in the first process step and is granulated from the melt.

- 2. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein the first process step is realized in a heat exchanger of the suspension type, a rotary tubular kiln, a multiple-hearth furnace, a shaft furnace, or a preheating unit of the fluidized bed or cyclone type.
- 3. (Amended) A process according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the second process step is carried out in a melting cyclone, a rotary tubular kiln, a furnace of the hearth type, or in an iron melting oxidation reactor.

